



MEMORANDUM

TO: State Board of Education

FROM: Melissa K. Ambre, Director
Office of School Finance

DATE: September 7, 2016

SUBJECT: School Technology Advance Applications (STAA)

[Indiana Code 20-49-6](#) establishes the School Technology Advancement Account within the Common School Fund. Five million dollars (\$5,000,000) is available annually for the purpose of loaning money to school corporations for the purchase of computer hardware and software to be used for student instruction and for the development and implementation of innovation technology projects. If the total amount of all the requests for advancements is greater than \$5,000,000, the department ranks the requests according to the assessed valuation per pupil. School corporations with the lowest assessed valuation per pupil have priority.

Under State Board rule [511 IAC 1-2.5](#), the amount of advancements range from a minimum of \$20,000 to a maximum determined under the following formula:

- STEP ONE: Determine the ADM of the school corporation.
- STEP TWO: Divide the ADM determined under STEP ONE by 25.
- STEP THREE: Multiply the amount determined under STEP TWO by \$500.

The Treasurer of the State of Indiana administers STAA loan agreements and typically establishes the following repayment schedule:

- \$ 20,000 — \$ 50,999 2 years
- \$ 51,000 — \$100,999 3 years
- \$101,000 — \$300,000 4 years
- more than \$300,000 5 years

The Office of School Finance accepted applications from July 6 through July 29, 2016. The Office received requests from 17 school corporations during the application period. Based upon internal discussions regarding the 17 applications received and reviewed by the Department, we recommend that you approve 16 requests and 1 denial as listed below at the September 7, 2016, meeting of the Board. MSD Boone Township submitted an incomplete application requesting \$24,920 with no project description provided and we recommend that their request be denied.

We recommend approval of \$2,350,220 in school technology advancement loans. Because there were additional funds available for distribution, we further recommend approval of additional advancements in the amount of \$1,034,035 resulting in a grand total of \$3,384,255 as referenced below:

Unit Code	School Corporation Name	Amount Requested (including additional funds)	Amount Recommended
1560	Sunman-Dearborn Community School Corporation	\$ 94,050	\$ 94,050
6460	MSD of Boone Township	\$ 24,920	\$ -
1900	Cowan Community School Corporation	\$ 22,100	\$ 22,100
5625	Oak Hill United School Corporation	\$ 44,120	\$ 44,120
4680	Lake Station Community Schools	\$ 66,960	\$ 60,114
7175	Penn-Harris-Madison School Corporation	\$ 213,300	\$ 213,300
6550	Portage Township Schools	\$ 154,600	\$ 154,600
235	Fort Wayne Community Schools	\$ 589,660	\$ 589,660
7200	School City of Mishawaka	\$ 299,700	\$ 214,656
3470	Northwestern School Corporation	\$ 65,080	\$ 65,080
7995	Evansville Vanderburgh School Corporation	\$ 751,000	\$ 751,000
3025	Hamilton Heights School Corporation	\$ 46,520	\$ 46,520
3480	Eastern Howard School Corporation	\$ 38,887	\$ 38,887
2305	Elkhart Community Schools	\$ 362,940	\$ 362,940
8115	MSD of Warren County	\$ 31,994	\$ 31,994
1150	Clinton Central School Corporation	\$ 40,000	\$ 40,000
5330	MSD Lawrence Township	\$ 1,304,760	\$ 655,234

Project Descriptions:

Sunman-Dearborn Community School Corporation – The school corporation will use the funds to purchase the following:

- 310 Chromebooks
- 310 Chromebook cases

Cowan Community School Corporation – The school corporation will use the funds to purchase the following:

- 60 Chromebooks
- 60 Chrome management
- 2 carts
- 10 Tablets
- 10 Tablet cases

Oak Hill United School Corporation – The school corporation will use the funds to purchase the following:

- eLearning Coach

Lake Station Community School Corporation – The school corporation will use the funds to purchase the following:

- 4 Software licensing renewals

Penn Harris Madison School Corporation – The school corporation will use the funds to purchase the following:

- DVT Planetarium upgrade
- 69 Classroom computers

Portage Township Schools – The school corporation will use the funds to purchase the following:

- 240 Chromebooks

- 30 Projectors
- 46 Interactive whiteboards

Fort Wayne Community School Corporation – The school corporation will use the funds to purchase the following:

- 330 Laptops
- 11 Laptop carts
- 97 Flat screen displays
- Peripherals, cables, cases
- Learning.com subscription

School City of Mishawaka – The school corporation will use the funds to purchase the following:

- 38 Computers

Northwestern School Corporation – The school corporation will use the funds to purchase the following:

- 170 Tablets

Evansville Vanderburgh School Corporation – The school corporation will use the funds to purchase the following:

- 45 Interactive flat panels
- Learning Sciences Assessment Tool
- Wireless Bus Pilot
- Replacement tools and supplies for computers and promethean

Hamilton Heights School Corporation – The school corporation will use the funds to purchase the following:

- 40 Sound amplifications
- 10 Projectors

Eastern Howard School Corporation – The school corporation will use the funds to purchase the following:

- Google expedition classroom set
- 8 Collaboration station hardware
- 8 Collaboration workstations

Elkhart Community School Corporation – The school corporation will use the funds to purchase the following:

- 105 Projectors and installation

MSD of Warren County – The school corporation will use the funds to purchase the following:

- 9 Virtualization servers

Clinton Central School Corporation – The school corporation will use the funds to purchase the following:

- Replacement cords
- Computer repairs, charging cables and blocks

MSD of Lawrence Township – The school corporation will use the funds to purchase the following:

- 106 Interactive whiteboards
- 51 Computers
- 51 Wireless keyboards and mice
- 51 HDMI display ports